

The Restriction Requirement mailed August 14, 2009 outlined the following groups of inventions and requested that Applicants select one of said groups for prosecution at this time:

- Group I, claims 1-20, drawn to a coated implant;
- Group II, claims 21-30, drawn to a method of manufacturing;
- Group III, claims 31-34, drawn to a ceramic paste; and
- Group IV, claim 35, drawn to an implantation kit.

Applicants herein elect **Group I, Claim 1-20**, for examination at this time. Claim 1-20 encompasses the elected invention. Applicants further reserve their right to file divisional and/or continuing applications on the unelected groups outlined above pursuant to 35 USC §§120 and 121.

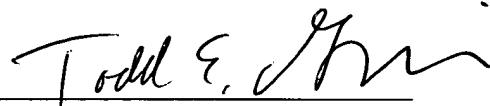
If the Examiner has any questions or feels that a discussion with Applicants' representative would expedite prosecution, the Examiner is invited and encouraged to contact Applicants' undersigned representative at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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